

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the due consideration given the application. Claims 60-126 are pending in the application. No new matter is believed to be added to the application by this response.

Election/Restriction

The application has been restricted into the following species:

1. Figure 1,
2. Figure 7A,
3. Figure 11A, and
4. Figure 12A.

Species 1, Figure 1, is elected with traverse. Claims 60-85, 89-106, 108-119 and 126 read on the elected species.

As is set forth in MPEP 803, there are two criteria for a proper requirement for restriction between patentably distinct inventions:

(A) The inventions must be independent or distinct as claimed; **and**

(B) There would be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction is not required.

In this case, it is particularly noted that Figures 1 and 7 show essentially the same species, except that the outer shape of the species in Figure 1 is substantially rectangular, whereas the outer space of the species in Figure 7A has a curved appearance.

Both these purported species show an embodiment of an assembly as disclosed in claims 60-85, 89-106, 108-119 and 126.

Also, the purported species shown in Figures 11A and 11B show a series of holders according to the remaining claims, where each of these holders can be used as a body including an agent that is a liquid or solid condition for use in the assembly as shown in Figures 1 and 7.

Figures 11A and 12A show a series of holders which are suitable for use as body (reference number 5 in Figure 1) in the assembly.

Therefore, the features set forth in Figures 1, 7A, 11A and 12A represent a technology so interrelated that no undue burden is placed upon the Examiner to search and consider all the purported species and claims of the present invention.

Rejoinder and prosecution on the merits is accordingly respectfully requested. Alternately, rejoinder is respectfully requested upon indication of allowable subject matter.

Conclusion

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment

to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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